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TO: FBIS/NICOSIA.4

SUBJECT: ANNUAL PAYMENTY

REF: A. FBIS/NICOSIA 00885

B. NICOSIA 054114

cc: c/mod

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1. AGREE; NO NEED TO DISCUSS PAYMENT LEVELS OR NEW POSITIONS WITH DCM UNTIL/UNLESS GOC SHOWS SIGNS OF REOPENING ISSUE.4

2. IN GENERAL, CURRENT THRUST HERE IS TO MAINTAIN STATUS QUO, NEITHER SEEKING MORE FROM GOC NOR ACCEPTING HIGHER DEMANDS FROM IT. INTERNET IS HEDGED ABOUT, AS YOU KNOW, BY BOTH SUBSTANTIVE AND FUNDING LIMITATIONS. WERE THE GOC TO PRESS FOR HIGHER PAYMENT WE MIGHT CONSIDER A MODEST INCREASE IN RETURN FOR REMOVING ANY CAP ON POSITIONS--OR PROPOSE AN INCREASE LARGE ENOUGH TO REPRESENT EFFECTIVELY THE REMOVAL OF THE CAP--BUT THAT IS ALL WE HAVE IN MIND RECENTLY SHARED WITH DCM NIX BY DD/FBIS THIS PAST APRIL.4 AT PRESENT. THIS HAS BEEN OUR POSITION ALL ALONG AND WAS MOST

3. IF YOUR BODY LANGUAGE RESEMBLED THAT OF A PRETZEL, THAT WAS THE RIGHT RESPONSE. CANNOT IMAGINE ANY GOOD TO BE GAINED FROM PRESS VISITS, EVEN FROM "RESPONSIBLE PRESS," WHICH IN CYPRIOT CONTEXT IS PROBABLY A CONTRADICTION IN TERMS.

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